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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES (SCHEDULED OR PROPOSED)

WHICH ARE TO BE SPONSORED OR SUPPORTED BY
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATIONS

15 September 1957 - 31 December 1958

Note: This Calendar consists of four parts, each listing activities to be held in certain regions. "Part I: Soviet Bloc" lists activities proposed or scheduled to be held in any Communist-controlled country. Future events that are to be held in the Free World are listed regionally, as follows: "Part II: Near East, Africa and the Far East", "Part III: Western Europe", and "Part IV: Western Hemisphere".

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I. SOVIET BLOC

A. 1957:

1. International Seminar for Women Trade Unionists
Place: Prague, Czechoslovakia (?)
Date: 15-19 September 1957
Sponsor: World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU).
2. International Mechanical Engineering Study Tour and Seminar
Place: Prague, Brno, Czechoslovakia
Date: 15-30 September 1957
Sponsors: The Czechoslovak Youth Organization (CSM), with the support of the International Union of Students (IUS)
Cost: \$2.50 per day
Program:
 - First day: Sightseeing in Prague
 - 2nd day: Seminar on "Technique and Society"
 - 3rd day: Continuation of discussion and conclusion
 - 4th day: Visit to engineering factories in Prague
 - 5th day: Visit to the Higher Technical School in Liberec
 - 6th day: Visit to the factories in Liberec
 - 7th day: Visit to the Industrial Exhibition in Brno
 - 8th day: Visit to the Industrial Exhibition in Brno.. Sightseeing in Brno
 - 9th day: Visit to Brno's engineering factories
 - 10th day: Return to Prague, conclusion of the Seminar. Departure.

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A. 1957: (continued)

3. Fourth World Trade Union Congress

Place: Leipzig, Germany

Date: 4-15 October 1957

Sponsor: WFTU

Agenda: "1. Report on trade union activity in the world, on the development of fraternal ties and on international trade union unity for the raising of the living standard of the workers, for their economic, social and democratic rights, for disarmament, peace and national independence.
"2. Report of the Auditing Commission.
"3. Report of the Management Commission of the Workers' International Solidarity Fund on its activity, its accomplishments, and on the assistance it can lend to the ultimate development of international solidarity.
"4. Proposals for amendments of the WFTU constitution.
"5. Elections of directing bodies of the WFTU and the Auditing Commission.
"6. Struggle of trade unions in colonial countries against the colonialists."

4. Annual Council Meeting of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL)

Place: Moscow

Date: 16-18 November 1957

Sponsor: IADL

Participants: Representatives of IADL affiliates and Council members only.

Agenda: Putting into effect the recommendations of the Brussels Congress of the IADL (May 1956).

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4. Annual Council Meeting of IADL (continued)

Note: The Soviet IADL affiliate is organizing a "Colloquium on Administrative Law" which will be held in Moscow immediately after the IADL Council Meeting, 19-20 November 1957. The question to be considered at this "Colloquium" is "A comparative examination of the different systems of control of administrative acts actually in force," on which question an English, a French and a Soviet specialist will speak. Participants at the IADL Council Meeting have been invited to attend the "Colloquium".

5. International Student Winter Camp

Place: Poland

Date: Winter 1957

Sponsor: Association of Polish Students, with the support of the IUS.

6. International Student Winter Camp

Place: Tatra Mountains, Czechoslovakia

Date: Winter 1957 (14 days)

Sponsor: Student Section of the CSM, with the support of the IUS.

B. 1958:

1. International Youth Tourist Camp

Place: Soviet Union

Date: 1958 (unspecified, probably during summer)

Sponsors: Committee of the Youth Organizations of the USSR and the World Federation of Democratic Youth (WFDY)

Note: The Fourth WFDY Congress (Kiev, 16-22 August 1957) "supported the proposal of the USSR Youth Organization's Committee to join with the WFDY in setting up /this camp/."

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B. 1958: (continued)

2. International Conference of Young Workers
Place: Unspecified
Date: 1958 (possibly during the summer)
Sponsor: World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU), with the support of the WFDY
Note: The Fourth WFDY Congress, "while supporting the idea of holding an International Conference of Young Workers in the summer of 1958, as suggested by the WFTU, called for efforts to ensure the success of that conference."
3. International Seminar on the Peaceful Use of Nuclear Energy
Place: USSR (unspecified)
Date: 1958 (unspecified)
Sponsor: Committee of Youth Organizations of the USSR, with the support of the WFDY
Note: The Fourth WFDY Congress endorsed the Soviet proposal that such a seminar be held in the USSR in 1958.
4. Asian-African Youth Delegation to Visit USSR for Three Weeks
Date: 1958 or 1959 (summer; dates unspecified)
Note: Soviet delegates to the Fourth WFDY Congress announced that the Committee of USSR Youth Organizations planned to invite a youth delegation from Asian and African countries in the summer of 1958 or 1959 to visit the USSR in order "to see something of the way of life of Soviet youth".
5. WFDY Youth Leader Training Seminars
Places: Unscheduled
Dates: Unscheduled
Note: In view of the fact that the following two specific proposals were made at the Fourth WFDY Congress, it is felt that the WFDY may be planning to organize.

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5. WFDY Youth Leader Training Seminars (continued)
Note: some sort of formal youth leader training activities in the future, probably in the Soviet bloc:
A Moroccan delegate, Lah BABI, called upon the WFDY to give more effective assistance to organizations which lack sufficient experience. He also suggested setting up summer camps to train youth leaders.
A Finnish delegate, Key JURELIA, proposed that the WFDY organize seminars for the training of leaders of youth organizations.
6. International Youth Delegation Invited to Visit Hungary
Date: Unspecified
Note: The invitation was extended at the Fourth WFDY Congress by the Secretary of the Central Committee of the Young Communist League of Hungary, Zoltan KOMOCSIN.
7. International Seminar on the Russian Language
Place: USSR
Date: 1958 (unspecified)
Sponsor: To be organized by a Preparatory Committee, with the support of the IUS.
8. International Architectural Students Seminar
Place: Warsaw, Poland
Date: Summer 1958 (postponed; originally scheduled 15-20 August 1957)
Program: Lectures and Discussions
Excursions and Visits
Followed by a tour of places of architectural interest in Warsaw, Gdynia and Cracow

Sponsors: Organized by the Polish architectural students, with the support of the IUS Architectural Faculty Bureau,

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B. 1958: (continued)

9. International Architectural Students Seminar

Place: USSR

Date: 1958 (unspecified)

Sponsors: To be organized by the Soviet Preparatory Committee, with the support of the IUS Architectural Faculty Bureau

Note: In late 1956, the IUS planned to hold two "International Architectural Students Seminars": one in Warsaw in 1957, the other in the USSR in 1958. Since the Warsaw seminar has been postponed until 1958, it is not known whether the USSR seminar will be in turn postponed until 1959, or whether only one of the seminars held and the other canceled.

10. International Agricultural Student Seminar

Place: Rumania

Date: 1958 (unspecified)

Sponsors: To be organized by the Rumanian agricultural students and supported by the IUS Agricultural Faculty Bureau.

11. International Conference on "Economic Factors Affecting Access to Higher Education"

Place: Poland

Date: 1958 (unspecified)

Sponsors: To be organized by the Polish Students Association, with the support of the IUS.

12. International Medical Students Seminar

Place: Bulgaria

Date: 1958 (unspecified)

Sponsors: To be organized by the Bulgarian medical students, with the support of the IUS Medical Faculty Bureau

Program: To include tour and visits

Note: Not to be confused with the International Medical Students Seminar to be held in Calcutta, 22-31 December 1957, also with IUS support.

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B. 1958: (continued)

13. International Chemistry Students Seminar
Place: Hungary
Date: 1958 (unspecified)
Sponsors: To be organized by Hungarian students, with the support of the IUS Technical Sciences Bureau
Note: This seminar was scheduled before the Hungarian uprising in October 1956. Recent IUS publications do not include this seminar as one of the activities still scheduled by the IUS.
14. International Seminar on the German Language
Place: Leipzig, Germany
Date: 1958 (unspecified)
Sponsors: To be organized by a Preparatory Committee, with the support of the IUS.
15. International Student Seminar on Automation
Place: Dresden, Germany
Date: 1958 (unspecified)
Sponsor: To be organized by the Dresden Higher School, with the support of the IUS Technical Sciences Bureau.
16. European Youth Rally
Place: Poland
Date: Summer 1958
Note: A proposal was made at the 4th WFDY Congress in Kiev (August 1957) that a European Youth Rally be held in Poland in the Summer of 1958.
17. Baltic Youth Games
Place: Riga, Latvia
Date: 1958
Note: At the 4th WFDY Congress it was proposed that the annual Baltic Youth Games be held in Riga in 1958.

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B. 1958: (continued)

18. International Student Summer Camp
Place: East Germany
Date: Summer 1958
Sponsors: To be organized by the students of Halle University, with the support of the IUS.
19. Summer Camp for Baltic Youth
Place: East Germany
Date: Summer 1958
Sponsor: Free German Youth (FDJ), probably with the support of the WFDY
Note: At the Fourth WFDY Congress, Karl NAMOKEL announced that the "GDR youth intended to arrange a summer camp for young representatives of the Baltic countries in 1958". The GDR delegation to the Fourth WFDY Congress is also reported to have proposed that a "Youth Rally of the Baltic Countries" be held.
20. Ten Scholarships Instituted at Moscow State University for "Students from Africa, Asia and Countries Which Had Recently Gained Their National Independence"
Place: Moscow
Date: Unspecified, probably for 1958
Note: At the Fourth WFDY Congress, Professor MIRZAJANZADE of Azerbaijani University reported that "ten scholarships" had been established and that the Committee of Youth Organizations of the USSR suggested that "A Fund of Solidarity with the Youth of Dependent and Colonial Countries should be set up in the WFDY".

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C. 1959 - 1961:

Seventh World Festival of Youth and Students

Place: Undetermined (possibly Peking, China, or somewhere in western Europe)

Date: Summer 1959 or 1961

Sponsors: WFDY and the USSR

Note: The Fourth WFDY Congress adopted a resolution to lengthen the interval between Festivals from two to three years. However, instead of having the next Festival held in 1960, the same year as the Olympics, it was decided that it should be held either in 1959 or 1961. The Congress instructed the WFDY Executive Committee to begin talks with all national and international organizations in order to achieve agreement on the name, character and meeting place of the Seventh World Youth Festival. The Congress also considered a proposal that preparations for the Seventh Festival begin by organizing regional meetings to provide the foundation for this event. One of the participants at the Moscow Festival reported that the Seventh Festival would be held in Peking in 1961. Other reports from Festival participants indicate that the sponsors feel that the format of the next Festival should be changed and that a longer period of time should elapse between Festivals than the traditional two-year intervals.

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II. NEAR EAST, AFRICA, AND THE FAR EAST

A. 1957:

1. International Art Students Seminar
Place: India
Date: Late 1957
Sponsors: To be organized by Indian art students, with the support of the IUS
Program: To include visits, followed by a tour. Sponsors hope to hold an international exhibition of items brought by the participants.
2. Fourth International Medical Students Seminar
Date: 22-31 December 1957
Place: Calcutta, India
Sponsors: To be organized by the Council of Medical Students, West Bengal, in cooperation with the IUS Medical Faculty Bureau.
Agenda:
 - "1. Lectures on medical education by participants and experts from different countries.
 - "2. Discussion on problems of medical students in different countries.
 - "3. Discussion on international cooperation between medical students.
 - "4. Lectures and discussions on specialized medical topics (e.g. tuberculosis, the spread of cancer in modern times, questions of nutrition in Afro-Asian countries, etc.)
 - "5. Medical film shows and cultural functions
 - "6. Visits to places of interest."
Participants: About 100 foreign and 100 Indian students are expected. The Seminar is open to representatives of medical colleges and faculties and to all medical student organizations. Observers may attend.

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2. Fourth International Medical Students Seminar (continued)

Participants: Invitations issued in July. Applications should be in before 22 November 1957. Information concerning this Seminar may be obtained from:

The Medical Faculty Bureau of the IUS
Vocelova 3, Prague 2, Czechoslovakia

or

The Preparatory Committee of IVth International
Medical Students Seminar
1 Belgachia Road
Calcutta 4, India
Attention: Satya Chatterjee

Cost: \$2.00 per day, which includes all accommodations, meals and full access to all seminar events. According to a recent circular letter of the IUS, "the cost of special travel will be covered by the Preparatory Committee". However, according to an official IUS publicity leaflet on the Seminar, participants are to pay their own expenses for travel to and from Calcutta.


Miscellaneous
Data:

Dr. Arun SEN is reported to be assisting Satya CHATTERJEE (President of the Students Union of the R. G. Medical College) in making the necessary preparations for the Seminar.

The Medical Faculty Bureau of the IUS appears to be part of the Education, Culture and Travel Department of the IUS, which is headed by CHENG Chi-ming.

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A. 1957: (continued)

3. Conference of the Asian and African Peoples (also called "Afro-Asian Solidarity Conference")
- Place: Cairo, Egypt
- Date: December 1957
- Sponsor: Asian Solidarity Committee (recently referred to as the "Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee")
- Preparations: Organizational preparations are to be made by a "Preparatory Committee" which includes representatives of all the Bandung Conference Powers, plus Algeria, Ghana, Liberia, Libya, Malaya, Morocco, Nigeria, Somaliland, Thailand, Tunisia and Uganda. The "Preparatory Committee" is to hold a three-day meeting in Cairo, beginning 21 October 1957, to arrange the date and agenda for this conference. A "10-member Egyptian Committee" has sent an "invitation" to the Secretary of the Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee in New Delhi (the actual sponsor), who in turn telegraphed branch committees in the following countries inviting their participation in the conference: Burma, Ceylon, Communist China, Indonesia, Japan, Lebanon, Mongolia, Nepal, North Korea, North Vietnam, Pakistan, Syria and the USSR.
- Agenda: To be determined at a 3-day meeting of the "Preparatory Committee" in Cairo, beginning 21 October 1957
- Note: At the First Conference of the Asian Countries (New Delhi, April 1955), at which the Asian Solidarity Committee was formally established, a proposal was made to hold a "Second Conference of Asian Countries" within two years.

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A. 1957: (continued)

4. Conference of Asian and African Men of Law

Place: Damascus, Syria

Date: 7-10 November 1957

Sponsor: Arab Lawyers Federation (a Communist-front also called the "Permanent Office of the Arab Lawyers Conference")

Preparations: Organizational arrangements are being made by a Preparatory Committee composed of representatives of the bar associations in Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon, Libya, Syria and Tunisia. The Preparatory Committee has entrusted Egypt with sending one or more delegates to the African countries to contact the law organizations there. Countries in the Far East and in Southeast Asia are also to be contacted. The Committee has also entrusted the Syria bar association with contacting the bar associations in Afghanistan, India, Iran, Pakistan and Turkey.

Agenda: At meetings held in Damascus, 28-29 September 1957, the Preparatory Committee approved the following agenda subjects:

"Nationalization in the light of international law;
Indirect aggression and interference in internal affairs of other countries;
Economic pressure;
The right of attacked countries to compensation;
Imperialism and the right of the peoples to self-determination, requested by Cypriot lawyers;
Facts and treaties between unequal parties and of foreign military bases, requested by the bar association in Baghdad [sic];
Positive neutrality, requested by Syria;
Arab Palestinian refugees, requested by Jordan;

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4. Conference of Asian and African Men of Law (continued)
- Agenda: Racial discrimination, public freedoms and natural rights, requested by India;
World Peace, requested by People's China;
and
The nuclear explosions and their effect on human rights and the future of mankind, requested by Japan."
- Note: While not sponsored by the IADL, the international Communist front for members of the legal profession, several IADL affiliates (including those of Egypt and Syria) are connected with the sponsoring front, the Arab Lawyers' Federation. Recent broadcasts indicate that the Preparatory Committee had decided to form a "higher supervisory committee for the conference...composed of the Minister of Justice in India, the Ceylonese Ambassador to Cairo, the President of the Bar Association in Japan, the Secretary General of the Law and Political Science Society in People's China and the Presidents of the Bar Associations in Tunisia, Egypt, Iraq, Sudan and Damascus."
5. International Students Seminar on Problems of Colonialism
- Place: Tunisia
- Date: 1957 (unspecified)
- Sponsors: To be organized by an International Preparatory Committee, with the support of the IUS
- Note: The Fourth IUS Congress (Prague, August 1956) declared its support for this Seminar. Since more recent IUS publications do not continue to list this Seminar as part of the IUS' future activities, it is possible that it has been canceled.

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B. 1958:

1. Seminar on the "Role of the Youth of the African and Asian Countries in the Economic and Social Development of Africa and Asia"
Place: Unspecified (some country in Asia or Africa)
Date: Unspecified
Note: At the Fourth WFDY Congress, a member of the Soviet delegation proposed that the WFDY "initiate in an Asian or African country" a seminar of this type. The Soviet delegate also proposed that "closer contacts be established with the World Assembly of Muslim Youth".
2. A Meeting of Afro-Asian Youth
Place: Japan
Date: 1958 (unspecified)
Note: At the Moscow Youth Festival, the Chief of the Egyptian Delegation proposed "that a permanent committee be formed for the youth of the Bandung Conference Powers, that a meeting of Afro-Asian youth be held next year in Japan, and that the exchange of cultural and other missions among the countries of both continents be expanded." This may or may not be identical with the Japanese proposal, which was supported by the Fourth WFDY Congress, to organize an International Youth Meeting to Ban Atomic Weapons and for Disarmament.
3. Meetings of Girls from Asia and Africa
Places: Unspecified
Dates: Unspecified
Note: At the Fourth WFDY Congress, Galina MARTSINKEVICH of the USSR advocated "the strengthening of contacts with the WIDF, with the Christian and Catholic organizations of young women, and the organization of meetings of girls from Europe, Asia and Africa." These regional meetings, if held, may be in preparation for an "International Meeting of Women and Girls" from all parts of the world to "discuss the question of equal rights of women", as proposed by the Italian delegate to the Fourth WFDY Congress, Anne CIAI.

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B. 1958: (continued)

4. Mediterranean Youth Rally
Place: Unspecified
Date: Unspecified
Note: This rally was proposed by an East German delegate to the Fourth WFDY Congress.
5. International Youth Meeting for the Banning of Atomic Weapons and for Disarmament
Place: Unspecified (possibly Japan)
Date: Unspecified (1958)
Note: The Fourth WFDY Congress "received with pleasure the proposal of the Japanese youth to organize in the near future an international youth meeting, the aim of which would be the banning of atomic weapons and for disarmament."
6. Asian Farming and Fishery Conference
Place: Not yet determined (possibly Japan)
Date: January 1958
Sponsor: Asian Solidarity Committee of Japan
Program: Discussion of farming and fishing techniques and environmental hygiene.
Note: This meeting has not yet been definitely scheduled, but the Asian Solidarity Committee of Japan had proposed that such a conference be held in January 1958.
7. Asian Culture Seminar
Place: Unscheduled
Date: Unscheduled
Sponsor: International Union of Students
Note: In an official brochure issued in the spring of 1957, the IUS listed the "Asian Culture Seminar" as one of its "envisaged projects".

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B. 1958: (continued)

8. World University Summer and Winter Games

Place: Unspecified (Africa or Asia)

Date: Unspecified

Sponsor: IUS

Note: The IUS Executive Committee Meeting in Prague, March 1957, instructed the IUS Physical Education and Sports Department to "investigate the possibilities for the next World University Summer and Winter Games to be held in Africa or Asia".

9. Miscellaneous decisions for improving IUS work in Asia and Africa, based on decisions adopted at the IUS Executive Committee Meeting in Prague, 19-24 March 1957:

- a. "To pay more attention to regional activities and give them more effective help which in line with the Fourth IUS Congress resolutions should considerably improve its work in Asia, Africa and Latin America.
- b. "To promote bilateral relations between the members of IUS and between the members and non-members of IUS as a positive contribution to universal cooperation among the world student community..."
- c. To have the "Editorial Board of the World Student News start publishing a regular supplement on the student movement in the different regions of the world with special emphasis on the student movements in Asia, Africa and Latin America."
- d. To have "all member organizations to appoint a permanent correspondent of WSN in their respective countries and to make further efforts to improve the sale of WSN."

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B. 1958: (continued)

10. Asian-African Journalist Conference

Place: Unscheduled

Date: Unscheduled

Sponsor: Covertly promoted by the International Organization of Journalists (IOJ). Proposed at the International Journalists Meeting, Helsinki, June 1956, which was covertly sponsored by the IOJ.

11. Economic Conference of Asian and African Peoples

Place: Unscheduled

Date: Unscheduled

Note: The Asian Solidarity Committee has insistently called for an "Afro-Asian Economic Conference". In June 1957 a statement was released calling for such a conference at the earliest possible date, which statement was issued jointly by Ichiro HATOYAMA and NESTEROV, a sponsor of the Moscow Economic Conference.

III. WESTERN EUROPE

A. 1957:

1. World Peace Council Session

Place: Paris, France

Date: 20 September 1957

Sponsor: World Peace Council.

2. Second World Congress of Doctors

Place: Cannes, France

Date: 27-29 September 1957.

3. Mediterranean Anti-Colonial Congress (also called General Assembly of the International Union for the Freedom of Colonial Peoples)

Place: Athens, Greece

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3. Mediterranean Anti-Colonial Congress (continued)
Date: Not designated (indefinitely postponed; last scheduled for 31 October - 4 November 1957)
Sponsor: Greek Anti-Colonial League
Program: To examine the problems of Algeria, Aden, Cyprus, Egypt, Goa, Hong Kong, Malaya, Okinawa and Singapore
Note: Although this congress is not sponsored by an international Communist front organization, it will be attended by front activists and exploited as a forum for pro-Soviet propaganda.
4. International Conference of Experts on the Prevention and Treatment of TB among the University Community
Place: Unspecified (originally scheduled to be held in France)
Date: 1957 (unspecified)
Sponsors: An as yet undetermined student group in Western Europe, with the support of the IUS
Note: This conference was originally publicized by the IUS as one that would be "jointly organized by the IUS and the World University Service". However, the World University Service has refused to cosponsor this meeting with the IUS.
5. Baltic Peace Conference
Place: Helsinki (Tentative)
Date: 7-8 December 1957 (Tentative)
Sponsor: Finnish Defenders of Peace
Suggested Theme: "Mankind on the Threshold of the Atomic Age".

B. 1958:

1. International Congress Against the Atomic Danger
Place: Unspecified (in one of the North-European countries, if possible)
Date: Spring 1958
Sponsor: West German Women's Peace Movement.

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B. 1958: (continued)

2. Fourth World Congress of Women

Place: Unspecified (possibly Brussels or Vienna)
Date: Spring 1958 (originally scheduled for December 1957)
Sponsor: Women's International Democratic Federation (WIDF)
Appeal: At its Council Meeting in Helsinki, June 1957, the

WIDF issued the following "Appeal":

"In the spring of 1958 the WIDF will hold its Fourth Congress.

"This Congress will reflect the ever-growing contribution women are making in every continent to economic, cultural and political life, a contribution which is one of the most important factors in the development of the world today.

"It will also express the struggle women are waging against the discrimination which still exists in a great number of countries.

"It will express their aspirations for a better life for their peoples and their will to win and defend the independence of their countries and the maintenance of peace in the whole world.

"Today peace is gravely threatened. While atomic energy could be a source of well-being and progress, it is mainly used for the preparation and perfecting of weapons capable of exterminating millions of people. The testing of the bombs alone has already affected the health of a certain number of those living today and endangers future generations. No woman can remain indifferent to this danger, no woman can refuse to act at this decisive moment of the future of mankind.

"The WIDF calls upon all its national organizations and all women without distinction of race, nationality, religion or political opinion, to participate in this congress in order to unite their efforts:

(i) to defend peace;

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2. Fourth World Congress of Women (continued)

(ii) to win and defend their rights as citizens, mothers, workers, and to improve their conditions of life;

(iii) to ensure security for their homes and families and for the happiness of their children.

"The WIDF also makes an urgent appeal to all national and international women's organizations, who each in their own way contribute to the improvement of the status of women and the well-being of children. It asks them to make known and support this Congress which will be a mighty demonstration of the determination of women united in their wish to safeguard peace, defend their rights and those of their children."

3. Miscellaneous European youth meetings proposed at the Fourth WFDY Congress in Kiev, 16-22 August 1957, but which are as yet unscheduled or unplanned:

- a. A European youth rally
- b. A Mediterranean youth rally
- c. A European meeting of young intellectuals and artists
- d. Regular meetings between editors and/or journalists of youth journals of all European countries
- e. Regional Meeting of European Girls
- f. European "Friendship Week"
- g. Regional and general European rallies and meetings of young people with the same interests
- h. Bilateral and multilateral contacts by all youth organizations and exchanges of delegations, information, publications, etc.

Note: Reports of the WFDY Congress indicate that the WFDY is contemplating organizing "in Europe several events during the next few months to get better acquainted with European youth, especially those with different social systems."

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B. 1958: (continued)

4. Third International Conference of Leather, Shoe, Fur and Leather Products Workers
Place: Unspecified
Date: May 1958
Sponsor: The Leather Workers Trade Union International, a trade department of the WFTU
Agenda: Activities of the Trade Union International for the safeguarding of young leather workers.
5. Third Trade Conference of Clothing and Textile Workers
Place: Unspecified
Date: May 1958
Sponsor: Trade Unions International of Textile and Clothing Workers, a trade department of the WFTU
Note: This conference was proposed at the Administrative Committee Meeting of the TUI in Prague, 9-10 April 1957.
6. International Federation of Resistance Fighters (FIR) Third World Congress
Place: Unspecified
Date: Early 1958
Sponsor: FIR.

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B. 1958: (continued)

7. International Education Seminar

Place: Sweden (?) (originally scheduled for Akers Runo, Sweden)
Date: 1958 (originally scheduled for 6-17 August 1957)
Sponsor: "An International Preparatory Committee" set up at the "initiative of Danish, Finnish, Norwegian and Swedish students of pedagogy, and supported by international organizations, including the IUS."
Themes: "The Aim of Education; Unity and Continuity in Education; and Teacher Training."
Agenda: Participants will discuss problems of education and their importance for international understanding and cooperation and get an over-all picture of the school reform in Sweden.
Participants: 100-150 participants expected originally, prior to Seminar's postponement. Half of the participants were expected to be "students of pedagogy studying at universities or teacher-training colleges, and the others were expected to be teachers who obtained their diplomas during the last ten years."
Note: Information concerning this Seminar may be obtained by writing to IUS Education Faculty Bureau, Vocelova 3, Prague XII, Czechoslovakia.

IV. WESTERN HEMISPHERE

1957 - 1958:

1. A Festival of Latin American Youth

Place: Unspecified
Date: Unspecified
Sponsor: Unspecified, presumably WFDY affiliates
Note: At its Fourth Congress in Kiev (August 1957), the WFDY announced that "the countries of Latin America have decided to organize a Festival of the Latin American youth."

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2. IUS plans for improving its work in Latin America, based on decisions adopted by the IUS Executive Committee Meeting in Prague, 19-24 March 1957:
 - a. "To increase the number of scholarships for Latin American students.
 - b. "To promote and help the realisation of sports contests between the students of Latin America.
 - c. "To render further help to the students of that region to participate in the seminars of the IUS programme.
 - d. "To assist Latin American students in their struggle in defense of university autonomy and student rights by organising international solidarity campaigns and through publicity work."
 - e. To have "member organizations of the IUS...find possible means to develop exchanges with student organisations from Latin America."
 - f. To have the "Editorial Board of the World Student News to start publishing a regular supplement on the student movement in the different regions of the world with special emphasis on the student movements in Asia, Africa and Latin America."
 - g. To have "all member organisations to appoint a permanent correspondent of WSN in their respective countries and to make further efforts to improve the sale of WSN."
 - h. "To pay more attention to regional activities and give them more effective help /which/ in line with the /Fourth IUS/ Congress resolutions should considerably improve its work in Asia, Africa and Latin America.
 - i. "To promote bilateral relations between the members of IUS and between the members and non-members of IUS as a positive contribution to universal cooperation among the world student community..."

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3. Miscellaneous proposals made at the Fourth WFDY Congress (August 1957) for improvement of WFDY work in Latin America:
 - a. BURBONO of Ecuador expressed the desire that the new WFDY Executive Committee take measures to strengthen contacts with national organizations.
 - b. Sisto FLORES of Venezuela recommended that the WFDY "find a common language with other organizations and conduct a broad campaign for the rights of youth." In his opinion WFDY was regarded as a "coordinating center linking various organizations".
 - c. Lino ABARCA of Peru emphasized the "necessity" that the WFDY pay "special attention to the youth movement in Latin American countries".
 - d. Samuel WEINSTEIN of Uruguay spoke of the "problems of increasing contacts between youth organizations and expanding cooperation between the WFDY and the youth of Latin America."
 - e. Christian ECHARD, the newly elected Secretary General of the WFDY, advised that the Fourth Congress of the WFDY had "expanded the composition of the steering bodies, including countries of Latin America, Asia and Africa, which were not represented in it."

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